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FOOD MOBILIZATION.

Will Be Discussed at Conference Which Vermonters Will Attend.

St. Albans, March 29.—Elbert S. Brigham of this city and former Governor Charles W. Gates of Franklin will leave Friday evening for Boston to attend a meeting of the New England board for rural progress of which Mr. Brigham is president. The meeting, which will be held at the Boston chamber of commerce Saturday, is for the purpose of considering plans for increasing food supplies in New England and mobilizing those supplies in the event of war. Gov. Graham appointed former Gov. Gates a delegate to the meeting.

America and Russia.

Let us not be slow to encourage free Russia with the warmly congratulatory clasp of a friendly hand. Congress, not being in session, cannot yet send to the Duma a message of fraternal greeting and heartfelt congratulation, as yesterday the British government asked the House of Commons to do. But our state department may let the new ministers at Petrograd understand that it does not accept their communications merely because they are now the only national authority. They should be made to feel that the American government, this government of the people, by the people, and for the people, heartily welcomes the rise of a Russian government representing the same principles of popular freedom, power and welfare. On March 15, the very day of Czar Nicholas II's manifesto of abdication, for himself and the carevitch, the diplomatic representatives of Britain, France and Italy entered into official relations with the ministers appointed by the executive committee of the Duma; these have been recognized informally by our own ambassador, and the Russian ambassador at Washington, retaining his post, has presented to our

government a communication from the new foreign minister.

So far, good. The transition proceeds smoothly. But do not let it drag, or halt at some point of indecision where there might seem room for doubt as to our opinion of the new political order in Russia. It is right to move without haste, examining the new government's prospect of permanence, but there is a danger of "watchful waiting" being prolonged until our government's act of full recognition would be devoid of grace. Is the rule of the Duma ministry unstable? Ambassador Francis says that "the only menace possible is in Socialistic demonstrations by minority Socialistic groups." An indication of this may be seen in the movement engineered under the shadow of Germany at Copenhagen, where alleged Russian Socialists have passed resolutions for peace without indemnity or territorial change. This may not amount to much.

There is another possible menace, due to the arrest of the ex-emperor. By taking him to Petrograd for confinement there, the government has imprudently provided at the capital a figure round which the forces of reaction may rally. It might have been better to allow him retirement on his Crimean estates, far from the center of national life, where free national government is only stepping from the cradle. But, after all, an attempted restoration is improbable. It would have to be headed by a more heroic figure. The Russian people look toward a republic. And if they do not go all the way just now without a halt, they will not halt short of a constitutional monarchy, with Michael Alexandrovich as the inoffensive occupant of the throne. On the whole, it seems that the better government of Russia is likely to last, and that we may safely make with the Duma ministry a treaty of equal rights for Russian and American citizens in their travels and commercial relations, regardless of their religion or race.—Boston Herald.

TALK OF THE TOWN

Splendid collection wash fabrics at Fitts'.

Very large assortment of misses' Easter hats at Abbott's.

Miss Edith Barton of St. Albans was a visitor in the city yesterday and today.

C. W. Taylor of Worcester was a business visitor in the city yesterday and today.

W. T. Maiden of Church street has been passing a few days with friends in Burlington.

Miss Marjorie LaPrey of Winooski arrived in the city yesterday to visit friends on Brook street.

William McCaffrey, formerly a clerk in the Drown store and of late employed in a Boston store, arrived in the city last evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry L. Batchelder of Plainfield have been passing a few days with friends in Barre, returning home last evening.

Mrs. Henry J. LaRoe of Wellington street returned to her home yesterday after spending several days visiting relatives in Burlington.

Mrs. M. E. McLeod has returned to her home in Barre town, after having been called to St. Johnsbury by the death of her brother.

"Around the Map," a little bit of Ireland, Scotland, Italy, Spain and others, Come and hear them all March 30, Congregational church. Admission, 10c.

Mrs. Martha Calef-White, electric needle specialist, will be at Miss Canning's Toilet Parlors Saturday, March 31. Boston office, 2 Park square, corner Boylston street.

To-morrow sessions at Spaulding high school and in the grades will be suspended for the annual spring vacation of a week. The schools will be re-opened April 9.

Mr. and Mrs. David Will, who accompanied the body of their daughter, Jean Will, to Barre for interment, have returned to their home in Groton, after visiting Mrs. Mary Benzie.

Mrs. Bella DeCauteaux, who has been employed in Pittsburg, Pa., since the early part of last fall, arrived in the city yesterday, where she will make an extended sojourn with friends and relatives.

Accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Albert W. Beattie, Mrs. John R. Tierney of South Main street, left this morning for Winooski Park, where she will enter the Fanny Allen hospital to undergo an operation for appendicitis.

F. Carlyle Wells, a graduate of Goddard seminary in the class of 1912, who has been renewing acquaintances in Barre for a week, has returned to Rochester, N. Y., where he is employed by a firm that turns out check protectors.

John R. Tierney of South Main street has returned from Montreal, P. Q., where he consulted a specialist in regard to an eye operation. Mr. Tierney remained in a hospital there for a few days, but it was decided to postpone the operation.

The ladies' aid society of St. Monica's church will hold a rummage sale Friday afternoon in the vacant store on Pearl street, near the Pavilion theatre. Anyone having old clothing, shoes, etc., kindly notify Mrs. E. J. Owen, 18½ South Main street, or Mrs. Roy Bugbee, 5 Richardson street, and same will be called for.—adv.

Funeral services for Maria Langre, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Angel Langre of 60 Granite street, whose death occurred Tuesday night, were held at the home yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The body was taken to Montpelier and placed in the receiving vault at St. Michael's Catholic cemetery, where interment will be made later in the spring.

For its monthly social gathering Monday evening, the Men's club of the First Presbyterian church will observe "ladies night." A musical program to which large contributions will be made by local talent, is in process of preparation, and a luncheon will be served after the entertainment. Two more monthly gatherings remain on the program arranged by the club last fall.

Thomas Sheridan, a Berlin, N. H., man, arrived in the city last evening with a gang of seventeen laborers, for whom he provided transportation to Millstone hill. The men have been working in the woods and paper mills around Berlin during the winter, but during the next few months they will probably be employed at the Boutwell, Milne & Varnum quarries. Little difficulty was encountered in recruiting the gang, as the edge of the woods is always full of laborers when the ice begins to leave the rivers. Before returning to Berlin, Mr. Sheridan will visit family connections in Graniteville.

The first reports which have come to Barre people concerning the work of Keefe, the old Goddard seminary student, since he joined the Mackmen was a report of the few innings which he worked against Jacksonville. While nothing definite was given as to the number of hits allowed by Keefe, he, with two other men held the south-erners to three hits through nine innings. Keefe did not get a chance to work with the Athletics during the Braves series. According to newspaper reports, Keefe will be kept for a while longer, as Mack says that he will hang on to all his "rookie" pitchers.

Yesterday the men with the hoses, a gang of shovellers and teamsters began their annual task of cleaning the streets. Under the direction of Supt. J. S. Wilson, the workers succeeded in ridding the business section of much of the winter's accumulation of refuse. The west side of the thoroughfare is still burdened with a thick coating of ice and the street department will wait till the sun gets in its deadlier licks before harvesting a crop of ice that retains a thickness, in some spots, of 15 and 18 inches. The last section of sidewalk in the business section to be cleared of ice was in front of city hall, where the janitor of the building used the hose effectively.

Police headquarters refused to get excited last night when Arthur Barber, a milk peddler living in Richardson road, reported his discovery of an object which resembled a human body in Stevens branch below Willey street. Mr. Barber and his son were crossing the Willey street bridge when they spied the object hurrying along with the current in mid-stream. The gatherings shadows of night prevented the lacted peddlers from scrutinizing the object closely, but Mr. Barber is quoted as saying that what he saw convinced him that someone's body was afloat. Deputy Chief Gamble received news of the discovery at police headquarters, but it was dark outside and the police decided to await a more propitious time for searching the banks. To-day, those in charge at the police station were inclined to doubt the authenticity of Mr. Barber's find and it was said that a search would not be instituted at once.

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Our Easter Millinery Opening

Saturday, March 31



This Easter opening, coming just one week before Easter Sunday, gives the ladies plenty of time to see the many attractive Hat shapes, together with the many little touches of style that have been added to them, in the way of colors and trimmings, and be sure to get their Hat for wearing on Easter Sunday.

Do not hesitate in picking out your Hat for fear of the weather on Easter, for government reports prove that Easter Sundays, as a rule, are bright, pretty days. You will surely want your Suit and Hat for Easter Sunday.



Easter Millinery Ideas

Every lady is interested in the new spring styles, and this season the models are more attractive than usual. Never was there so large a range of different models that are of equal attractiveness.

We want you to see this large display of the season's popular Millinery. We shall expect to see you on Saturday at some time. The forenoon will be the most quiet, but if you cannot come in then, come with the crowd on Saturday afternoon.

Here you will find a large showing of the season's most popular Hat Shapes, at popular prices, in qualities and designs that are unequalled.



If you want to match your Hat to your suit or coat, we can fix you up with just what you want and have it ready for Easter Sunday.

Be on hand Saturday, March 31, and get your ideas, so as to get what you will want for Easter Sunday.

When in for your Easter Hats, it would be well to plan to spend a little time in our Garment Department looking over our line of attractive Suit and Coat models.

Our line of Silk Dresses is attracting a good deal of attention. This is an unusually large display of Dresses at a popular price. Are Dresses that are tailored nicely, and we can show you a large assortment of different models, hardly two of a design.

The Daylight Store

TALK OF THE TOWN

Easter hats at Abbott's.

New Easter gloves at Fitts'.

Candy, home cooking, aprons and useful articles, Congregational sale, April 1.—adv.

Call early and avoid the Easter rush.

Mrs. A. Birnie, 3 Pleasant street, off Brook street.

Presbyterian choir rehearsal at the church Friday evening at 7:30. It is requested that there be a large attendance.

Auction sale Saturday at 2 p. m., City Auction Market, four good shots, one gasoline engine. O. H. Hale, auctioneer.

Stephen Matott, who was locked up on an intoxication charge Wednesday noon, acknowledged a second offense when arraigned before Magistrate H. W. Scott in city court last night and upon representations of a sincere desire to abstain from alcoholic stimulation, he was allowed to sign the pledge for a year. Payment of a \$15 fine was suspended and costs of \$5.10 were settled by the respondent.

Among the guests arriving at Hotel Barre yesterday and to-day were the following people: Thomas S. Nelson of West Pawlet, T. W. Donahue of Manchester, H. D. Gibson of Northfield, R. E. Cheney of Hardwick, J. L. Flecher of Shelburne, R. J. O'Connor of Burlington, W. H. Hayward of Brattleboro, William A. Patten of Springfield, William H. McLane of Boston, J. M. Ingerson of Springfield, John S. White of St. Albans, Carl Hamblett of Barton, Royal Lord of Burlington, W. C. Knight of Newbury, J. F. Betschell of Burlington, Albert Benson of Cleveland, O., and G. Perry of Troy, N. Y.

TALK OF THE TOWN

Visit Fitts' bargain annex.

Easter neckwear at Abbott's.

Remember all dogs must be licensed by April 1.—adv.

Mrs. Margaret Bird has commenced work in Mrs. H. S. Milne's millinery parlors.

Attend the masquerade dance in Clan Gordon hall Friday evening. Carroll's orchestra.—adv.

Wait. Don't be in a hurry for your supply of maple sugar, as I have plenty coming, but owing to the deep snow it will be a little late, as it comes from the mountains. H. A. Kendall.

Another postponement in the state case against Angel Edessa of Webster, charged with violating the liquor laws, was entered yesterday after a number of witnesses had presented themselves at the door of city court. It is stated now that the hearing will be held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

About 30 friends of Mrs. George Greig of Keno street took possession of her house when she was visiting one of her neighbors last evening, and when she returned she was greatly surprised to find her house full of merry-makers. Mrs. Robert Webster presented Mrs. Greig a handsome handbag, to which she responded in a nice manner. The most enjoyable part of the evening was a donkey contest, the first prize being a handsome flower pot, which was awarded Mrs. Robert Webster. The second prize was awarded Mrs. A. Allen and the third to Mrs. J. McDonald. Every one of the company responded to a solo or reading. Refreshments of coffee, cake and fruit were served.

TALK OF THE TOWN

Easter gloves at Abbott's.

Silk hosiery for Easter at Fitts'.

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Women, you can save from \$1 to \$2 a pair on your shoes at Shea's.

Don't forget Homer's Musical Comedy Co., 14 people, at Pavilion all next week.—adv.

Easter showing of hats Saturday, March 31. Mrs. A. M. Carroll, 70 North Main street.—adv.

Miss Maud Gordon has completed her duties at the Cafe Shepard and is at her home on upper Prospect street.

Wellman Whitney of Springfield, Mass., will speak in G. A. R. hall, Montpelier, Sunday at 2:30 and 7:30 p. m.

Richard Doying celebrated his 75th birthday anniversary at the home of his daughters in Barre March 26. Among those present were two daughters, three granddaughters and six great-grandchildren. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served. The observance of his birthday was a surprise to Mr. Doying.

Miss Marion F. Stickney of this city, elementary superintendent of the Vermont Sunday School association, is named as one of three leaders of the little folks in "The Twin State School of Religious Education," which is to be held at Dartmouth college, Hanover, N. H., Aug. 6-12. The Sunday school associations of Vermont and New Hampshire unite in this school.

ORGANIZE RED CROSS WORK.

A Meeting for the Purpose Will Be Held in Burlington Soon.

Burlington, March 29.—Representatives of the three or more branches affiliated with the Vermont chapter of the American Red Cross will meet in this city in April to confer with C. N. Nutter, executive secretary of the New England division, who will make a tour of inspection. Ways and means of promoting the organization will be considered.

Chairman Redfield Proctor of the Vermont chapter has asked the secretary, Harry S. Howard of this city, to issue a call for the meeting. Applications for authority to start new branches are coming in steadily.

Secretary Howard states that enough applicants have already sent in their names to make possible the organization of a class to receive instruction in the making of surgical dressings, etc., and the Boston headquarters will send a Red Cross nurse here for the purpose.

The plan is to admit to this class not only members of the Red Cross but any group of women in the state which can see the way clear to maintain a room in their home towns for making of dresses. This class will be in session for three weeks.

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GOOD VALUES

An English Tea Pot FREE this week with each pound of Brooke Bond Tea, per lb. 60c
This is a high-grade Black India Ceylon Tea—takes less per cup and is a specially good drinking Tea. This Tea comes in one-half pound sealed packages.

Blue Label Corn at the old price, per can 15c
Blue Label May Duke Peas at the old price, can 15c
Compare this quality with some of the 15c Corn on the market.

Good Fish Values

Fresh Halibut, per lb. 28c-30c
Frozen Halibut, per lb. 25c
Fresh Haddock, per lb. 12c, 15c, 18c
Smelts, per lb. 20c
Mackerel, per lb. 20c
Salmon, per lb. 25c-30c
Roes, per lb. 20c
Clams, per pint 20c
Shell Clams, Live and Cooked Lobsters.
Fresh-Smoked Haddies, per lb. 15c

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Fancy Maple Syrup in 2-quart cans.
Maple Sugar Cakes 3 for 10c
Buckwheat, per lb. 7c
Aunt Jimema's Buckwheat and Pancake Flour 10c
Monadnock Buckwheat Flour, per package 15c
Oranges 16 for 25c; per dozen, 30c, 35c, 40c
Grapefruit, each 10c, 3 and 4 for 25c

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Halibut (Eastern White)	Crabs (Hard Shell)
Salmon (Fancy Red)	Haddock (Native Shore)
Cod (Steak)	Mackerel
Perch (Lake)	Pike (Lake Yellow)
Herring (Large Fresh)	Flounders
Smelts (No. 1)	Ling (Fancy White)
Roes (Haddock)	Shad (Fancy Large)
Kipperd Herring	Finnan Haddie
Scallops (Large)	Shrimp (Fresh Cooked)
Oysters (Fresh Opened)	Clams (Fresh Opened)
Clams (in Shell)	Oysters (Blue Points)
	Lobsters (Live)

Don't forget our Easter Sale of Green Mountain Smoked Hams and Shoulders

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